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FROM:

MIKE DUVAL

SUBJECT: Revision of Annotations to Executive Order 11905

Attached are several revised pages of annotations to the Executive Order on foreign intelligence activities. These contain minor changes prompted by comments on the original version. The other pages of annotations have not been changed.

There is one provision on which we are not prepared to issue a final annotation. Section 4(a)(5) requires senior officials of the intelligence community to report to the Attorney General information relating to violations of law. The current annotation interprets this as requiring reporting of violations of only federal law. Several questions have arisen about this section. One is whether this provision should be read as requiring reporting to the Attorney General on possible violations of federal law as to which an agency other than the Justice Department has primary investigatory jurisdiction. For example, the Secret Service has primary investigatory jurisdiction over certain crimes related to currency. We are at present seeking an informal opinion from the Justice Department on the interpretation of this provision and will advise you on the resolution of this issue.

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Annotations (p. 25)

(a)(6) For the purposes of this order, the CIA, NSA, and DIA are considered "foreign intelligence agencies" (and therefore subject to these restrictions) with respect to all of their activities. Other agencies (not including the FBI) are deemed "foreign intelligence agencies" whenever they are engaged in activities related to foreign intelligence or counterintelligence.

(a)(8) The definition of physical surveillance refers primarily to systematic observation of an individual designed to determine all of his regular daily activities. It also refers to the acquisition of an oral communication by a person not otherwise a party thereto or visibly present thereat through any means which does not involve electronic surveillance. This second half of the definition refers primarily to a situation where a person hides in a room to overhear what persons in the room are saying.

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(b)(7)(ii) The word "employees" in the second line of Section 5(b)(7)(ii) should be read to include an employee of a non-intelligence element of a department or agency in a case where information on him is collected for counterintelligence purposes by another element of the department or agency responsible for counterintelligence throughout the department or agency.

(b)(7)(iii) Each intelligence agency will on occasion consider contacting a U.S. person because he may be a potential source or contact who will aid the agency. Before making such contacts, however, the agency will want to be assured that the person would be suitable for such assistance. This exception therefore allows collection of information on such persons, but only for the purpose of determining their suitability or credibility. Furthermore, such a person must reasonably be considered to be a potential source or contact.

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